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SUBJECT: ROUTING OF US AIRMAIL TO BURUNDI

1. THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY COMMUNITY IN BURUNDI (ABOUT 150 PEOPLE WITH FAMILY MEMBERS) HAS BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION AGAIN THE GREAT DELAYS WHICH FREQUEMALY OCCUR IN THE DELIVERY OF AIRMAIL LETTERS TO THEM FROM CORRESPONDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES. AT TIMES, MAIL SACKS DISAPPEAR ALTOGETHER; AT OTHER TIMES, THERE WILL BE A TWO MONTHS'LAP IN RECEIPT HERE. THE COMMUNITY BELIEVES THAT THIS PROBLEM ARISES BECAUSE THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,ANXIOUS TO USE AMERICAN AIR CARRIERS TO THE MAXIMUM, ROUTES SACKS ON PANAM VIA KINSHASA, ZAIRE. AS WE KNOW FROM OUR OWN EXPERIENCE, IT IS AN EXTREMELY BAD IDEA TO ROUTE CARGO OR ANYTHING ELSE TO BURUNDI VIA ZAIRE.

2. THE IDEAL SOLUTION WOULD BE TO SEND ALL AIRMAIL SACKS VIA PANAM TO BRUSSELS FOR TRANSFER TO SABENA, WHICH HAS FOUR FLIGHTS PER WEEK TO BURUNDI. OUTGOING AIRMAIL TO THE U.S. USES THIS ROUTING, AND DELIVERIES ARE BOTH REGULAR AND SPEEDY.
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